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April 21, 2021

Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Alaska Railroad Corporation in forthcoming surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC). ARRC is located at 327 West Ship Creek Ave P.O. Box 107500 Anchorage, AK 99510-7500

The funding is designated to replace the structurally obsolete steel pony truss railroad bridge at the south end of the ARRC Anchorage yard. This bridge supports more traffic than any other on the ARRC system.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits for ARRC and its users. The ARRC is a critical component to the Alaskan economy and is a strategic link to Alaska's military installations. This safety improvement project will replace the existing bridge with a new steel bridge designed to support ARRC traffic for decades to come. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

April 21, 2021